

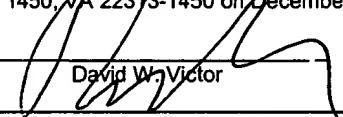


**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Serial No.: 09/440,213      Group Art Unit: 2176  
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TITLE: METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM FOR INTERFACING WITH  
ELEMENTS IN A DOCUMENT

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**AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR**  
**CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the final office action dated August 12, 2004 (Final Office Action) in which the Examiner rejected all the pending claims 1-30 as anticipated (35 U.S.C. §102(e)) or obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) over cited art. On October 27, 2004, the attorney for applicants and the Examiners held a phone interview discussing the claims. Applicant discussed adding the requirements of claim 6 to independent claim 1, and similar amendments to the other corresponding independent claims, to clarify distinctions over the cited art. Although no agreement was reached, the Examiners said they would reconsider the rejection in view of such an amendment and argument distinguishing the amended claims from the cited art. Applicant amends the claims as discussed and cancel claims 6, 16, and 26. Applicant traverses the prior art rejections and submit that all pending claims 1-5, 7-15, 17-25, and 26-30 are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7.